EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Finance and Audit Committee
November 8, 2019







LEGISLATIVE AND ADVOCACY ISSUES

TRAC Approved Major New Construction Program List 2020-2023

Project Funding on November 6

- New projects funded:
 - Tier I: Construction
 - ✓ MED SR 18 Widening Improvements \$18 M
 - Tier II: Development
 - ✓ CUY Thrive 105 Corridor Improvements \$3.5 M
 - ✓ CUY IR77/ Miller Rd Interchange \$3.5 M
- Not recommended for funding
 - CUY Bessemer Rail Grade Separation
 - o GCRTA Rail Car Replacements (deemed ineligible)



Transportation Review Advisory Council



LEGISLATIVE AND FUNDING ISSUES

TLCI Grant Program Update

- NOACA solicited applications that promoted a regional focus under our Transit Livable Communities Initiatives grant.
- A total of 23 application requests were received
 - Seven planning study requests totaling \$1.1 million
 - o 16 implementation project requests totaling \$4.8 million
- \$2 million available for the FY 2020 TLCI Program
- Project evaluations and interviews were completed
- Recommendations of selected projects will be presented at the March Board meeting













UPCOMING HYPERLOOP MEETINGS

- Chicago Stakeholder Meetings:
 November 12th -13th
- Pittsburgh Stakeholder Meeting:
 November 13th
- NOACA Board of Trustees Special Preview November 15th (1:30 pm) – NOACA Offices
- Cleveland Public Meeting
 Cuyahoga Community College –
 Jerry Sue Thornton Center, November 18th (6:00 pm)



ACCESS OHIO 2045

- NOACA will host ODOT as they present their long-range transportation plan to guide policies and investment strategies for the next 20 years
- Located at NOACA Offices, Thursday, November 14 (4-7 p.m.)
- Open to Public

Join the Conversation About Ohio's Future Transportation System

The Ohio Department of Transportation and its partners are updating Ohio's long-range transportation plan, called Access Ohio 2045.



All Meetings are 4-7 PM, Presentations at 4:30 and 6 PM





VIBRANT NEO CHAMPION AWARDS

Thursday, November 14, 11:30 – 2:30 p.m.

CSU Levin College of Urban Affairs

 Vibrant NEO Awards highlight and celebrate the best projects from around the region for creating sustainable and vibrant communities

• Tickets are still available at vibrantneo.org/vibrant-neochampion-awards/







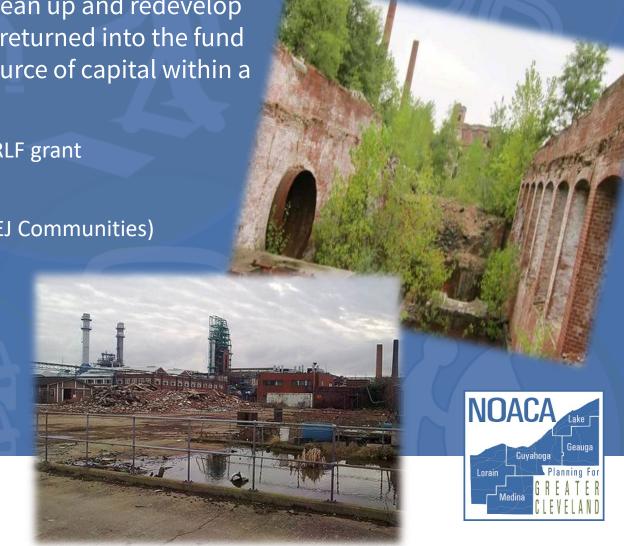


ANNOUNCEMENTS

U.S. EPA Brownfield Revolving Loan Grant (RFL) Program

EPA encourages stakeholders to leverage resources to clean up and redevelop brownfields. When loans are repaid, the loan amount is returned into the fund and re-lent to other borrowers, providing an ongoing source of capital within a community. *Submission: Dec 3, 2019*

- NOACA / NEOSCC are exploring a Coalition Application for a RLF grant
- \$8 M dollars available (Eight \$1M grants are anticipated)
- Applications must identify Target Areas (Opportunity Zones, EJ Communities)
- 20% cost share required
- 25% of grant must be used for petroleum cleanup projects
- 50% must be issued as loans
- Sub-grants up to \$350,000 to a single project are available
- Grant project period five-years



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ratification of NOACA Resolution 2019-041

- Counties to ratify prior to January 1,2020
 - Will increase voting membership of NOACA Board from 44 to 46 members
 - Board representation will be based on the population of each county as determined by the Decennial Census, beginning with the 2020 Census
 - Will be automatically adjusted after each Census
 - Each county will have a minimum of three Board seats
 - To date, Lake, Lorain and Medina counties have submitted resolutions.







NOACA will **STRENGTHEN** regional cohesion, **PRESERVE** existing infrastructure, and **BUILD** a sustainable multimodal transportation system to **SUPPORT** economic development and **ENHANCE** quality of life in Northeast Ohio.